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Local Governments

Invited to Check Addresses



For the first time since the inaugural U.S. Census in 1790, local governments will be given the opportunity to review and update addresses before the count is taken.

The U.S. Census Bureau has mailed a letter to local and tribal governments, inviting them to participate in the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) Program.

The highest elected official of every government received a registration form to be returned to the Denver Regional Census Center.

The actual review of the addresses will begin later this year for urban areas and early 1999 in rural areas. The program is particularly important because there is no planned local review of addresses after the 2000 Census, as was the case in 1990.

The Census Bureau recognizes that local knowledge is key to a successful 2000 Census and encourages every local government to participate to some degree in this important program.

For more information on the address update program, or to request a registration form, contact the Denver Regional Census Center Geography Department at (303) 231-5015.

To the local entities which decide to participate, the Census Bureau will provide:

- A printout or electronic file of the census address list for the city, county, tribe or township
- A set of Census Bureau maps for the city, county, tribal lands or township
- Instructions for reviewing and updating the address lists and maps
- Confidentiality and security agreements with instructions to implement them

Census staff members will provide assistance on technical issues and supply additional materials as needed. Local and tribal governments should provide a staff person to coordinate and review the listings and maps.

